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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6836

BILL NUMBER: SB 314

NOTE PREPARED: Jan 12, 2008

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Department of Agriculture.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Ford

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FUNDS AFFECTED: ___**GENERAL**
 DEDICATED
 FEDERAL

IMPACT: No Fiscal Impact

Summary of Legislation: *Name Change.* The bill changes the name of the Department of Agriculture to the Indiana State Department of Agriculture (ISDA).

Duties of the ISDA. The bill adds specific economic development efforts to be administered by the ISDA. It requires the ISDA to assist agricultural businesses in obtaining and preparing permits and serving as a liaison between the business and state and local government. The bill makes financial and application information obtained by the ISDA that relates to economic development or promotion of agriculture confidential. It establishes duties for the director of the ISDA concerning agricultural promotion, research, and international agricultural trade. It establishes duties for the director of the ISDA concerning diversified farming.

Repeals. It repeals provisions concerning (1) operation of livestock export inspection facilities; (2) livestock inspection fees; (3) livestock export facilities; (4) the livestock export facility administration fund; (5) the center for value added research; and (6) adoption of federal fruit grades, domestic grading of certain fruits, inspections, and penalties. The bill makes conforming changes.

Effective Date: July 1, 2008.

Explanation of State Expenditures: The proposal will have no fiscal impact because the changes conform to current practices.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: Department of Agriculture.

Local Agencies Affected:

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